TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 523 - SB 1376

February 24, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes that the rights, duties, or benefits provided by a policy of insurance will be assigned as expressly provided in the terms of the insurance policy, or as expressly allowed by the insurer.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation applies to property and casualty insurers and policies regulated by the Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI); assignment of benefits for healthcare providers is excluded.
- The proposed legislation will authorize property and casualty insurers to determine payment of benefits under its policies of insurance.
- The DCI can adhere to the provisions of the proposed legislation within existing resources; therefore, no significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

• Authorizing insurers to determine payment of benefits under its insurance policies could reduce business expenditures in disputes with policyholders; however, it is estimated that any significant reduction in expenditures would reduce insurance premiums, netting the impact to jobs or commerce to not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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